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Ref: 8EPR-SR

Jones Mountain Trust

Personal Address/Ex. 6

Re: Access to property for water quality sampling

Dear Ms. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in cooperation with the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Geological Survey, the State of Colorado and the Animas River Stakeholder Group is conducting water quality sampling in the Animas River watershed from Silverton, Colorado to the headwaters to analyze for heavy metals. We request permission to access your property to conduct such sampling.

The sampling would occur on your property, along the Animas River near Silverton, Colorado, at the following mine claim name(s): King 14914 and Old Domingo 1371 A. Our sampling programs will consist of collecting water quality samples, sediment and aquatic organism samples at this location on the river adjacent to your property and taking flow measurements. Since our investigations into the sources and causes of the heavy metals in the river may involve several years of work, we request that permission for access extends for a period of 5 years.

Enclosed is an access agreement that, with your signature, gives the EPA and the other governmental agencies access to your property for these field activities. We request that you fill in your name as the owner and your phone number on the front of the form, sign and date the back of the form, and return it via US mail, email or fax by April 30, 2015.

Your assistance in providing us access for this purpose will aid in the understanding and determination of the contamination sources impacting the water quality in the Animas River between Silverton and Durango, Colorado. If you have any questions regarding our request for access or the sampling activities that would take place, please feel free to contact me at 303-312-6095 or email fagen.elizabeth@epa.gov. You may also contact Paula Schmittiel at 303-312-6861, 720-951-0795 (cell), or email schmittiel.paula@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Liz Fagen
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